

House Watch

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THIRD READING

[SB 593](#)

(Gleason)

The bill would create a body art facility license, establish license fees, regulate body art facilities, and establish penalties for violations.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- SB 593 advanced to 3rd Reading

[HB 4050](#)

(Miller)

Each of these bills would amend the Michigan Consumer Protection Act (MCL 445.903 et al.) to prohibit retailers of goods and services from engaging in certain practices in connection with gift certificates. The bills would add three new sections to the MCPA and are tie-barred to one another, meaning none could take effect unless all were enacted. House Bill 4050 would create a new Section 3E to provide an extensive list of prohibitions.

- Committee substitute H-3 was adopted
- Hildenbrand-2 was adopted
- HB 4050 advanced to 3rd Reading

[HB 4317](#)

(Meadows)

House Bill 4317 would add a new Section 3F which would prohibit charging an inactivity fee or other service fee to a consumer when using a gift certificate. The bill would also amend Section 3 to include all the prohibitions in the three new sections (3E, 3F, and 3G) among the general list of unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive methods, acts, or practices in the conduct of trade that are unlawful under the act.

- Committee substitute H-2 was adopted
- Meadows-2 was adopted
- HB 4317 advanced to 3rd Reading

HB 4680

(Sak)

House Bill 4680 would add a new Section 3G which would prohibit selling a gift certificate or gift card to a consumer that states an expiration date or that otherwise expires.

- Committee substitute H-2 was adopted
- Hildenbrand-2 was withdrawn
- Sak-3 was adopted
- HB 4680 advanced to 3rd Reading

SB 388

(Cassis)

Senate Bill 388 (H-1) would amend the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act (MCL 567.222 et al.) to address when a gift certificate or gift card is considered abandoned property. Generally speaking, the bill would exempt gift certificates and gift cards issued by retailers from being considered abandoned property under the act.

- Committee substitute H-1 was not adopted
- Meisner substitute H-2 was adopted
- Hildenbrand 2-A was adopted
- SB 388 advanced to 3rd Reading

HB 5354

(McDowell)

House Bill 5354 amends the Public Health Code by permitting the Department of Community Health to use monies in the Health Professions Regulatory Fund to support health information technology initiatives contingent upon appropriations by the Legislature and approval by the Governor. This bill also eliminates language which speaks to the abolishment of the Official Prescription Form Program Fund as monies in this fund have been transferred to the Pain Management Education and Controlled Substances Electronic Monitoring and Antidiversion Fund.

- HB 5354 advanced to 3rd Reading

HB 5355**(McDowell)**

The bill amends the Crime Victims Rights Services Act under which the Crime Victim's Rights Fund was established in 1989. The act currently allows for uses of the fund for crime victim services, and permits amounts in excess of the necessary revenues to be used for crime victim's compensation. House Bill 5355 amends the act to also allow excess amounts to be used for the sex offender registry, amber alert missing child notification system, polygraph tests, and forensic science expert witness testimony programs in the Michigan Department of State Police (MSP), and rape prevention and services programs in the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS).

- McDowell substitute H-2 was adopted
- HB 5355 advanced to 3rd Reading

SB 799**(Switalski)**

The bill would amend the Michigan Civilian Conservation Corps Act to appropriate \$20.0 million from the balance of the Michigan Civilian Conservation Corps (MCCC) Endowment Fund to the General Fund, for fiscal year 2006-07 only. This amount is the entire balance of the permanent investment of the Fund. The bill would require the Department of Natural Resources to consult with the Natural Resources Commission to develop recommendations for restoring revenue to the Endowment Fund, including corporate sponsorship. A report of the recommendations would be due to the Natural Resources appropriation subcommittees by March 1, 2008.

- SB 799 advanced to 3rd Reading

HB 5274**(Farrah)**

The bill would revise the Private Detective License Act, and, among other things, rename it the "Professional Investigator Licensure Act".

- Committee substitute H-1 was not adopted
- Farrah H-2 was adopted
- HB 5274 advanced to 3rd Reading

SECOND READING

HB 5341**(McDowell)**

House Bill 4730 would require carbon monoxide detectors to be installed in sleeping rooms of hotels and motels, and House Bill 5341 would require at least one device to be installed in each new residential building or structure.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5341 was passed temporarily

HB 4730

(Bieda)

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- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 4730 was passed temporarily

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

HR 218

(Young)

A resolution to encourage the President and Congress of the United States to include Michigan transportation corridors in future funding of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Corridors of the Future Program.

- HR 218 was adopted